

CAPSULE SUMMARY CT-1155

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Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No. CT-1155

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common Shirley Thompson Barn

2. Location

street & number Kimberley Lane Plum Point Road (MD 263)
Turner's Field Subdivision ☐ not for publicationcity, town Plum Point Road ☒ Parran vicinity of congressional district

state MD county Calvert

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
	<input type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other: storage

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Shirley Thompson

street & number telephone no.:

city, town state and zip code 20639

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Calvert County Courthouse liber

street & number Main Street (MD 765) folio

city, town Prince Frederick state MD

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

pository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

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Condition

☐ excellent

☒ good

☐ fair

☐ deteriorated

☐ ruins

☐ unexposed

Check one

☐ unaltered

☒ altered

Check one

☒ original site

☐ moved

date of move

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

See Attached.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/ humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☐ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

See Attachment.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name Prince Frederick, MDQuadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

A

Zone	Easting				Northing				

B

Zone	Easting				Northing				

C

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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11. Form Prepared By

name/title Tora Williamsen-Berryc/o Calvert County Historic District commissionorganization Dept. of Planning and Zoningdate June 30, 1990street & number Courthousetelephone 535-1600city or town Prince Frederickstate MD

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7. DESCRIPTION CT-1155

The Thompson barn is located on the south side of Plum Point Road, approximately one-half mile from its intersection with highway four. It is immediately adjacent to CT-1106. It is set on top of a slight hill and is oriented on an east-west axis. The farm road passes by the east gable end. The barn measures forty by twenty-four feet and has a sixteen foot wide shed on the south side.

The barn has a cross-axial plan. The bays are each eight feet wide, and there are double doors centered along the north side of the barn and south facade of the shed. There is one four foot wide door centered on the east gable end of the barn. Concrete block piers support the frame. The timbers are hewn and pit sawn and joined via mortise and tenon with trunnel joints. The siding is plain with minimal ventilation. The barn has a steeply pitched roof, that was originally covered with wooden shingles, but is now metal. The rafters are on four foot centers and rest on a flat false plate. Tier poles are peeled logs, and there are peeled log poles down the central axis, separated by four feet width between. The shed is apparently original as there is no evidence for siding or a door on the south wall of the barn.

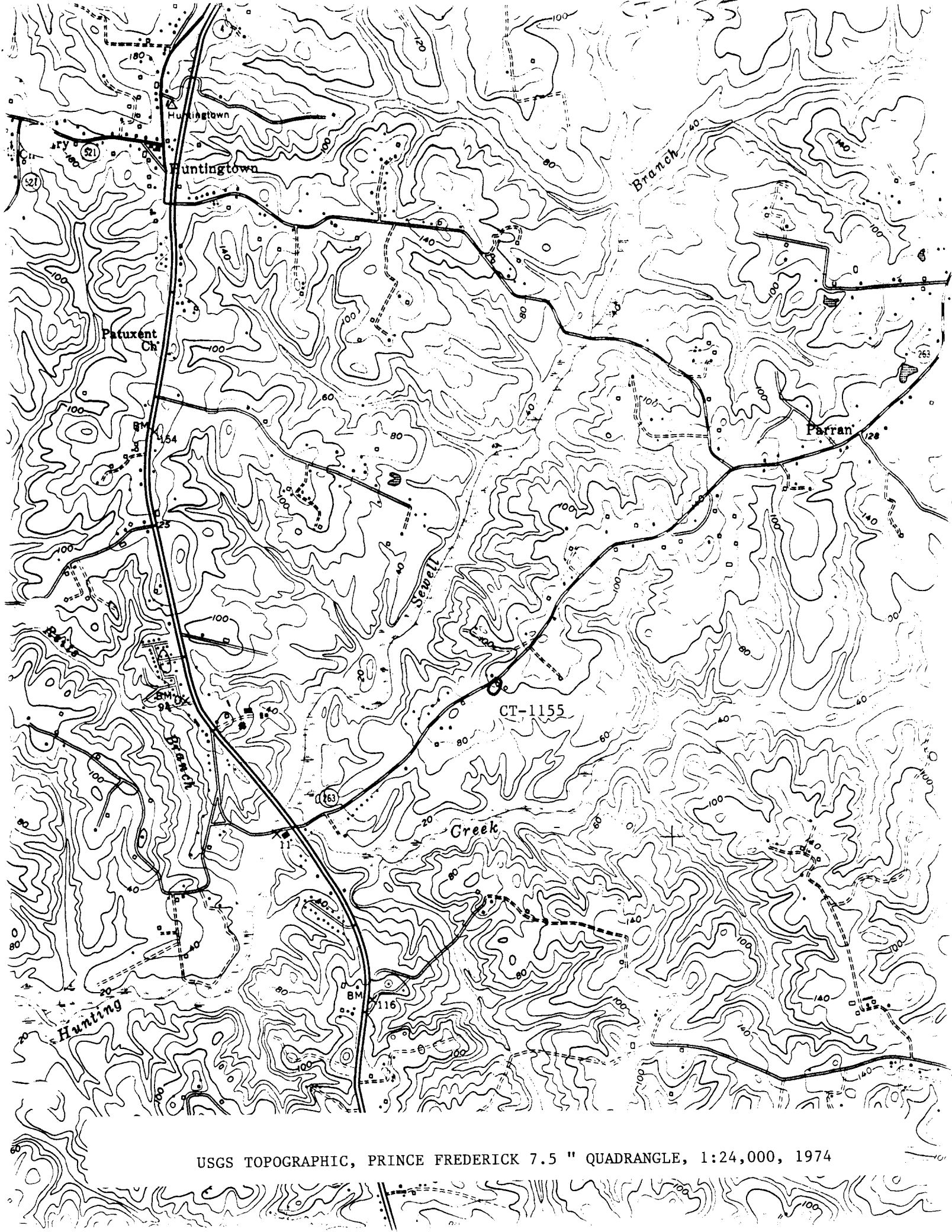
8. SIGNIFICANCE CT-1155

The Thompson barn is architecturally significant for several reasons. It is one of the group of early-mid nineteenth century tobacco barns recorded by this survey that measure forty by twenty-four feet and have a cross axial plan. Also typical of this group, is the location of an original shed on the south side. The barn was also originally part of the Cox farm, a large farm owned by Mr. Edward Cox, the father of Verda Turner, that encompassed a large part of the land on Plum Point Road.

This barn also yields information regarding agricultural history in Southern Maryland. In February 1990, a tobacco barn survey was initiated in order to study the tobacco barns of Calvert County. Until fairly recently, tobacco was the most important farm crop of the county. More acreage was devoted to its cultivation than for both of the next most extensive farm products (corn and wheat). The barns and stripping houses related to this "Tobacco Culture" are widely recognized as the most common element on the rural landscape. These structures are also the most threatened, as the market for tobacco declines. They seem to have, at present, only limited capabilities for re-use. Many barns and stripping houses now stand empty. The purpose of this survey has been to gather information and document a wide sample of these structures before they disappear from the landscape.

Historical Period theme(s): ca. 1830-; Tobacco; Agriculture
Geographical Organization: Western Shore Chesapeake Bay Calvert Cty MD
Chronological/Developmental Period: ca. 1830-Present
Resource Type(s): Tobacco Barn

#2128 - TW 6/6/90 - P. 18 Map 21. Thompson Barn. Highway four to Plum Point Road. Next to Verda Turner's barn. Private ownership, used for storage. Concrete block piers support frame. Timbers are hewn and pit sawn and joined via mortise and tenon with trunnel joints. Siding is plain with minimal ventilation. Steep roof, originally wooden shingles, now metal. Rafters are on four foot centers and rest on a flat false plate. Tier poles are peeled logs, there are peeled log poles down the central axis. One sixteen foot wide apparently original shed on the south side. (no evidence for siding on south wall of the barn, nor evid. for a door).



USGS TOPOGRAPHIC, PRINCE FREDERICK 7.5 " QUADRANGLE, 1:24,000, 1974



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THOMPSON BARN

HUNTINGTOWN

TORA L. WILLIAMS

SOUTH / SOUTH EAST

JUNE 1990